IRF-PAI Data Specifications (Version 1.00) in Effect From January 2002

Section 4421 of The Balanced Budget Act (BBA) of 1997, as amended by the Balanced Budget Refinement Act (BBRA) of 1999 and the Benefits Improvement and Protection Act (BIPA) of 2000, authorizes the implementation of a per discharge prospective payment system (PPS) for inpatient rehabilitation hospitals and rehabilitation units – referred to as inpatient rehabilitation facilities (IRFs). On August 7, 2001, a final rule was published in the Federal Register to implement the IRF PPS for cost reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2002 (a copy of this final rule can be found elsewhere on this website). Data from the IRF Patient Assessment Instrument (PAI) supports the establishment and administration of the IRF PPS. To implement and administer the PPS, IRFs are required to complete the IRF PAI for all Medicare patients at admission and at discharge. The IRF is required to encode the PAI information then must transmit this data in a file that conforms to the CMS IRF data specifications.

Version 1.00 Files Available for Downloading

Description:

An initial, draft version of the 1.00 Data Specifications was originally posted on 10/10/2001. As of 12/13/2001, the Version 1.00 of the Data Specifications has been finalized and this web page now provides the final version. The changes from the 10/10/2001 draft version to the 12/13/2001 final version are very minor. The only changes were to remove the word "DRAFT" from the IRFDS100.pdf "readme" file and to change the date on that document to 12/13/2001. There are no changes involving the substantive contents of the data specifications.

Download files available with Version 1.00:

- IRFDS100.pdf (151 K) a "readme" document which describes the 10 different documents available with Version 1.00.
- IRFPAI100.ZIP (660 K) a ZIP file containing the document of the detailed specifications for the IRF Data Record for Version 1.00.
- DS100.pdf, the IRF-PAI Data Specifications Notes for Version 1.00 (9 pages).
- HD100.pdf, the detailed data specifications for the IRF Header Record with Version 1.00 (7 pages).
- HS100.pdf, the abbreviated data specifications for the IRF Header Record with Version 1.00 (2 pages).
- BD100.pdf, the detailed data specifications for the IRF Body Record with Version 1.00 (76 pages).
- BS100.pdf, the abbreviated data specifications for the IRF Body Record with Version 1.00 (13 pages).
- TD100.pdf, the detailed data specifications for the IRF Trailer Record with Version 1.00 (1 page).
- TS100.pdf, the abbreviated data specifications for the IRF Trailer Record with Version 1.00 (1 page).

- AppendixA100.pdf, the RIC codes and associated impairment groups (3 pages).
- ID100.pdf, the detailed data specifications for the Inactivation Record with Version 1.00 (5 pages).
- IS100.pdf, the abbreviated data specifications for the Inactivation Record with Version 1.00 (1 page).

Additional Version 1.00 download file available on 10/10/2001:

• IRFPAIDB.ZIP (46 K) a ZIP file containing the Microsoft Access database named IRFPAI100.mdb, the database can used to generate the detailed and abbreviated data specifications for the Header, Data and Trailer records for Version 1.00.